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## NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

- 1. Note: This application has been reassigned to examiner Michael Meucci.
- 2. The reply filed on 05 July 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Objections to the drawings have not been corrected (See *Drawings* section below). See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the abovementioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or**THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

  EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- 3. Additionally, the examiner has **not** indicated allowable subject matter in the previous office action. As such, the response is non-responsive because claim rejections from the previous office action have not been addressed. It is recommended by the examiner that the applicant put the amended claims back in dependent form because they currently contain no allowable subject matter. Applicant is reminded that all objections and rejections must be addressed in response to the previous office action.

## Drawings

4. The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include the following reference character(s) not mentioned in the

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description: 392 in Fig. 3. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d), or amendment to the specification to add the reference character(s) in the description in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(b) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

## Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Meucci at (571) 272-3892. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Caldwell, can be reached at (571) 272-3868. The fax phone number for this Group is 571-273-8300.

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